

Small Grant Programs Proposed to be Suspended for 2011-13

Program Purpose

Effect of Proposed Cuts

Community Scholarship Matching Grant

The Community Scholarship Matching Grant (CSMG) provides \$2,000 matching grants to community-based 501 (c)(3) organizations raising at least the same amount for college scholarships through local fundraising initiatives.

The HECB partners with Northwest Dollars for Scholars for organization outreach and support.

Childcare Matching Grant

The Institutional Child Care Grant was established to address the need for high quality, accessible, and affordable on-site child care for students at Washington's public baccalaureate institutions.

Child Care Grant funds are matched by the college administration or the student government association. Funds must compliment and augment access and availability of quality child care for students, and may not supplant existing services or resources.

College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP)

The Supplemental Grant for College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) was created to recruit and retain first generation college students among migrant and seasonal farm workers.

The \$25,000 annual appropriation is divided among six in-state CAMP providers and may not be used to duplicate the work of the federal grant.

Community Scholarship Matching Grant

For the past 22 years, CSMG awards have been an incentive for grassroots fundraising initiatives.

In 2011, nearly 90 community organizations will be forced to reduce the amount of scholarship money awarded to students. Further, Northwest Dollars for Scholars would not receive an administrative allowance for support services.

Childcare Matching Grant

The suspension of the Childcare Matching Grant program has negatively impacted student parents statewide. The cuts have caused reduction in business hours at childcare centers, lowered the available amount of childcare waivers, and reduced the amount of qualified staff training opportunities, which negatively impacts the overall quality of care provided. Some institutions will be forced to dip into reserve funds by year-end in order to maintain base-level child care services on campus.

College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP)

Elimination of state funding will force the in-state federal CAMP providers to discontinue the unique student services funded by state dollars. Providers tailor the use of funding for their students and have formed a consortium to offer jointly-sponsored activities. Direct services include mentoring, tutoring and leadership workshops. Other services include the creation of study labs and textbook lending libraries.

Please note: This brief reflects the impacts associated with the Governor's and initial House budget proposals for 2011-13. The House proposal is as offered by the Chair of the House Ways & Means committee. The final budget will not be released until the conference budget is agreed to by the Legislature.